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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Nine bills were introduced, as follows: S. 567–575. **Page S3025**

Measures Reported:

S. 303, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999. (S. Rept. No. 111–7)

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Measures Passed:

Extend Certain Immigration Programs: Senate passed H.R. 1127, to extend certain immigration programs, clearing the measure for the President.

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Congratulating the People of the Republic of Lithuania: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 70, congratulating the people of the Republic of Lithuania on the 1000th anniversary of Lithuania and celebrating the rich history of Lithuania, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Appointments:

United States Capitol Preservation Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 100–696, appointed Senator Murkowski as a member of the United States Capitol Preservation Commission.

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Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 101–509, the appointment of Terry Birdwhistell, of Kentucky, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was declared on March 15, 1995, with respect to Iran; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–12) Page S3023

Ogden Nomination: Senate began consideration of the nomination of David W. Ogden, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General.

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A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at 12 noon on Thursday, March 12, 2009, Senate continue consideration of the nomination pursuant to the order of Tuesday, March 10, 2009; that the vote on confirmation of the nomination occur at 2 p.m.; provided further, that upon confirmation of the nomination, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Thomas John Perrelli, of Virginia, to be Associate Attorney General; that there be 90 minutes for debate equally divided and controlled between the Majority and Republican Leaders, or their designees; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of Thomas John Perrelli, of Virginia, to be Associate Attorney General. Page S3019

Cloture Motions Withdrawn—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached on Tuesday, March 10, 2009, providing that the cloture motions relative to the nominations of Austan Dean Goolsbee, of Illinois, and Cecilia Elena Rouse, of California, each to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, be withdrawn.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jonathan Z. Cannon, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Richard Rahul Verma, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs).

Esther Brimmer, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Organization Affairs).

Philip H. Gordon, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (European and Eurasian Affairs).

Ivo H. Daalder, of Virginia, to be United States Permanent Representative on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, with the rank and status of Ambassador.

Karl Winfrid Eikenberry, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.